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25 January 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, SR/DOB
FROM : Chief, Training Staff, SR/DOB
SUBJECT : Conference with []

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1. Tuesday, 23 January 1962, Chief, Training Staff, SR/DOB sat in on a conference with the Project Officer, SR/DOB and [] WPS/DDP. The subject of discussion was the AEDEPOT trainee. The discussion generally followed an agenda prepared by the Project Officer.

2. Several items from the discussion had applicability to the future training of AEDEPOT assets.

a. It was stated that a primary function of the AEDEPOT agents will be to "get an area set up for Special Forces". The Training Staff, SR/DOB, needs a definition of setting up an area. The Chief, Training Staff, SR/DOB, should be authorized to sit down with War Plans Staff and/or Special Forces and get a clear definition of what they mean and require with regard to setting up an area.

b [] [] set up a tentative priority with regard to preparation of AEDEPOT personnel.

1. Training in Black Living
2. Survival (as related primarily to Black Living)
3. Para-Military Activities
4. Exfiltration Systems (E and E applicability)
5. Psychological Warfare
6. Fingerprint Identification (for E and E)
7. Intelligence Collection (supplementary to above)

It is only fair to state that other subjects would be included in a full scale review of the training needed, however, it is important to note that the emphasis is upon para-military activities and that intelligence activities are at the bottom of the list.

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3. [] indicated that the War Plans Staff and the Chief BGFIGHTER are interested in AEDEPOT participation in the 1962 DEVIL STRIKE activities. It is the opinion of the Chief, Training Staff, SR/DOB, that a SR/DOB representative should initially meet with War Plans and BGFIGHTER planners to see how AEDEPOT personnel could be usefully employed in DEVIL STRIKE. It might be rewarding to have the 1962 DEVIL STRIKE monitored by DOB Training prior to the commitment of AEDEPOT personnel in 1963.

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CHIEF, TRAINING STAFF, SR/DOB

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